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## SHIP COMMITTEE.

### COMMITTEE ON GRADE MAPS AND WAYS PRESENTS A REPORT

The delay in building the Montgomery Street Bridge to Straighten Broad Street.

In discussing the request of the Water Company to lay pipes in the upper portion of Bloomfield street with the East Jersey Water Company, the Township Committee last Monday evening listened to the report of the Committee on Grade Maps and Surveys, presented by Mr. Selbert.

The committee had received bids for work as follows: James E. Owen, \$150 per mile; A. H. Olmsted, \$150 per mile; D. Johnson, \$33.33 per mile. The expenditure of the \$3,000 appropriation for this purpose at Mr. Owen's and Mr. Johnson's bids would complete only one-third of the township, while at Mr. Selbert's estimate nearly all of the township could be completed.

Mr. Selbert said that the Committee had given due consideration to these bids and would recommend that the matter be referred to the lowest bidder, Mr. Johnson.

Mr. Johnson accepted the Committee's recommendation and recommendation brought considerable discussion.

Mr. Selbert said that before the committee was awarded Mr. Johnson's bid, he had requested to furnish a bond for the completion of the contract.

Mr. Johnson took the floor and said he was against giving the contract on a bond. Competent surveyors had been employed and that this work would cost \$3,000. He thought it a waste of money to attempt to do it for \$1,000.

Mr. Selbert said the Committee had received letters from Gen. Newton and Mr. Johnson's committee, and unless they had given this careful consideration and believed everything right and safe the names of Selbert and Johnson would not appear on this recommendation.

Mr. Selbert stated that the township had wasted \$2,500 on this object, and whatever to show for it, he would vote to give the contract unless a bond was given, which was not done satisfactorily.

Mr. Johnson would not lose the money he thought there was waste in the matter. He thought a bond would be a waste of money.

Mr. Selbert said that Mr. Johnson had thought that Mr. Johnson might be much lower owing to being busy at this time. When he was to do, he was apt to be busy.

Further discussion of the recommendation was laid on the table.

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## SEWERAGE.

### MESSRS. BASSETT AND OWEN PRESENT A PRELIMINARY REPORT

Their Estimates Are For a Maximum Population in Bloomfield in 1930 of 30,000 People.

As announced in THE INDEPENDENT last week, Messrs. Bassett and Owen presented their preliminary report to the Township Committee on Monday night last.

The estimated cost is the same as was stated in last week's issue. Mr. Owen read the report to the Committee, and is, in substance, as follows:

The accompanying map will show the limits of the various drainage districts, and population has been apportioned over the districts in accordance with a careful examination of the growth of population in the township for the past thirty years.

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## CALDWELL RAILROAD.

### How the People of That Town Greeted the First Passenger Train.

Monday was a gala day in Caldwell. The population turned out early in the morning to see the first regular train run over the new road. When the first train made its appearance around the bend coming into the town, says the Montclair Herald, great enthusiasm prevailed, flags were displayed and firecrackers and pistols were exploded.

The train consisted of a big Erie locomotive and two cars. It arrived at the terminus of the road, near the birthplace of ex-President Cleveland, at 6.45 o'clock. The train was soon filled with passengers, each anxious to have the first ride over the road.

Promptly at 7.02 the train, in charge of Conductor Jacobus, moved off amid the cheering of the passengers and citizens at the starting point. A great falling off in the stage traffic was noticeable.

The proprietor of the stage line has reduced his fare from twenty to ten cents from Caldwell, and to five cents from Verona to the Montclair station of the Morris and Essex road.

The second train left Caldwell at 8.15, and connected at Great Notch with the Greenwood Lake express, which only makes a few stops. This train reaches New York from Caldwell in a little over an hour's time. Everything points to the road becoming a paying investment, and the directors are very much encouraged.

A time-table has been arranged by which trains will leave Caldwell at 7.02 and 8.15 A. M., 12.04 and 5.24 P. M., arriving at New York at 8.30 and 9.30 A. M., 1.30 and 7.00 P. M. From Chambers Street, New York, the 8.00 A. M. train will connect at Caldwell Junction with the trains that arrive at Caldwell at 9.27 A. M., 2.05, 4.55, 6.31 and 7.39 P. M.

Prosperity of the Westminster Church. The active work of Westminster Church continues prospering in the fruitage of the union services of last spring. The attendance at the Sabbath services continues to increase. This is especially true of the evening service, to which the young people have largely contributed.

The service has grown out of the church parlors into the room above. Last Sabbath at the regular communion service several new names were added to the roll of members. During the pastor's vacation which commenced with the present week good preaching is expected. H. T. Miller, D. D., of Chicago, Ill., who is to occupy the pulpit on the 9th and 16th inst., comes very highly recommended as a preacher. S. D. Noyes, D. D., of Kingston, N. Y., who is engaged for the 23rd and 30th insts., has the reputation not only of an able man, but also of an unusually eloquent speaker.

The Business Men's Holiday. On Wednesday every business place in Bloomfield, with the exception of the banks, drug-stores, saloons and Italian fruit stores, was closed tight. The Centre presented a deserted appearance during the whole day, and strangers passing through were led to believe that a great calamity had befallen the people. The cause of all of this was that the business men of the town, together with their employees, had given the day up to pleasure.

One of the incidents of the cessation of business was the embarrassment of a family moving into the town on that day. They were unable to procure anything in the line of food, with the exception of fruit.

They Were Very Drunk. A man accompanied by a woman had a narrow escape from injury on Broad Street Monday evening. They were both very drunk, with the odds in favor of the female, and mistook the sidewalk on the park for the road, but even that was all right until they came in contact with a hydrant, and then over went the rig, injuring it somewhat, but not hurting the occupants. Two young men volunteered to take the vehicle down to Budd's stable, leaving the driver and his fair companion in the road in the mud. She was very nervous and had to be laid on the park until she recovered and another rig was procured. They proceeded on their way to Paterson, happy but covered with mud.

Returned From Europe. Eddie Lancaster, son of Edward Lancaster, has returned from England after a sojourn of fifteen months for the benefit of his health. He is much improved and has a ruddy complexion. The Majestic, on which he sailed, made the quickest passage on record between Queenstown and New York.

Death of James T. Roby. James T. Roby, a former resident of Bloomfield, and brother-in-law of J. Banks Bedford, died on the 4th inst. at his residence in Brooklyn. Internment was made in Bloomfield Cemetery yesterday.

When the Schools Will Open. The public schools will open on Tuesday, September 8. Boys and girls enjoy yourselves until then.

## THE WATER QUESTION.

### AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET A SUPPLY FROM THE EAST JERSEY WATER CO.

The Montclair Company Asks Permission to Connect With the East Jersey Main in Brookdale, Through Which Both Towns Could be Supplied.

President Snow of the Montclair Water Company appeared before the Township Committee last Monday night and asked permission to lay water mains in Upper Broad Street and Oak Tree Lane, in order to connect the Montclair Water Company's system with the East Jersey Water Company's main in Brookdale.

Mr. Snow said that the Montclair Company proposed to put down a 16-inch main, capable of carrying a flow of 2,500,000 gallons daily. If Bloomfield contemplated getting a water supply from this source it could connect its system with the Montclair main at Oak Tree Lane.

Mr. Snow was asked if there was any certainty that Bloomfield and Montclair could get water from the East Jersey Water Company. He replied that no contract had been made between the Montclair Company and the East Jersey Company, but he was confident that the water would be furnished. He was asked if the East Jersey Company would not lay the requisite mains to connect with the Bloomfield and Montclair system. He said that the East Jersey Company was only laying mains to supply the city of Newark, and would not contract to lay any supplemental mains.

Mr. Snow stated that if the Bloomfield Committee had any objections to consenting to right of way, the Montclair Company could connect with the East Jersey Company at Great Notch and run a main along the Telegraph Road, without touching Bloomfield territory. The connection at Brookdale was selected because it would prove convenient for both towns.

The Committee thought this was a matter of the greatest importance and should receive careful consideration. It was referred to the Water Committee to be reported upon at the next meeting.

William Murray, a saloon-keeper, committed suicide by shooting at his home, 19 Cross Street, Montclair, late on Sunday night last. He sent a bullet through his heart, and death was instantaneous. Murray, but a few minutes previous to taking his life, returned from the residence of a Mrs. Menley, on Bloomfield Avenue. When he entered the house his wife, who was in the rear part of the building, came to meet him, and asked him if he wanted anything to eat. He replied in the negative, and said he was going to bed. He thereupon went to his room and had been there but a few minutes when his wife heard a pistol shot. She ran upstairs and found her husband lying on the floor with a revolver lying alongside of him and blood flowing from a wound in the left side.

Murray had, from all indications, stood before the mirror when the pistol shot was fired. In falling he struck a sofa, which it is supposed knocked the revolver from his hand.

Mrs. Murray could assign no cause for her husband's act, and said they had always lived pleasantly together. The neighbors say that the couple never quarrelled. It is believed, however, that financial affairs had something to do with his case, although Murray's business was thought to be a paying one. He had lived in Montclair about four years.

Murray was forty years of age. He leaves no children.

The Italians Knew the Policeman. Officer Mahoney received word on Sunday night that a fight was in progress among the Italians in the Bowery, and, knowing that his uniform would be a detriment to him if the fighters caught sight of it, hastily donned his citizen's dress and wended his way to the scene of the conflict. His approach, however, was discovered, and when he arrived the combatants had made their escape. It seems impossible to get any one to make a complaint against these people. If they did the police would soon have the pleasure of breaking up the disgraceful affairs.

The Axe Slipped. Charles B. Haff of Park Avenue, while splitting wood in his yard Wednesday morning, struck his foot with the axe almost cleaving it in twain. Dr. Van Gleason attended the injured man. The injury is not thought to be serious.

His Finger Cut Off. Patrick Durr of Almira Street, while at his work in Hines, Ketchum & Co.'s label factory in Montclair, had the tip of the index finger on his left hand cut off.

Stacy Adams & Co.'s \$3 shoes reduced to \$2.50 at Shoenthal's, No. 312 Glenwood Avenue. Advt.

## HER SKULL FRACTURED.

### Minnie Igen Run Over by a Wagon on Bloomfield Avenue.

Little two-and-a-half-year-old Minnie Igen, daughter of Benjamin F. Igen, who resides on Bloomfield Avenue, near the Montclair line, toddled out in the road in front of her father's house Monday afternoon and was run over by a carriage driven by Joseph Brown, a coachman in the employ of James C. Beach of Beach Street.

Brown, accompanied by Thomas Higgins, had been to the cow pasture and was returning home with the milk. He was driving at an ordinary pace he claims. When the child was run over the driver continued on his way.

Higgins told Brown that he had run over a child, but Brown claims he thought the child was not hurt much, and besides he was in a hurry to get to Mr. Beach's with the milk. For that reason he did not stop.

The accident caused intense excitement, and a bicycle rider who was near gave chase and commanded Brown to stop. This he reluctantly did, and was soon surrounded by an angry crowd. Brown was inclined to be impudent and evidently did not know the nature of the child's injuries.

The baby's skull was fractured and other parts of the head badly cut. She was carried unconscious into her father's house and physicians summoned, who pronounced her condition as serious. She was then removed to the Mountnside Hospital.

Igen went before Justice W. R. Hall and made a charge against Brown of criminal carelessness. Officer Smith arrested him, and took him before the Justice, who released him in \$150 bail to appear when wanted. Hall was furnished by his employer.

Killed By a Mowing Machine. Watson Struble, brother of Mrs. E. D. Ackerman of Austin Place, met his death in a terrible manner while at work mowing on his farm in Hampton, Sussex County, Monday morning.

The following account of the accident is from the Sussex Register:

About 11 o'clock on Monday afternoon, Watson Struble, son of Oliver Struble, was cutting grass in a field on the Space farm, in Hampton township, when one wheel of the mowing machine dropped into an unseen hole made by a groundhog. The sudden tilt of the machine threw Mr. Struble from his seat on the left side, and his foot catching in the cogs of the wheel he was hurled over so that his head struck upon the tongue. In this position the team carried Mr. Struble about 100 yards before his body was released, and the horses made a circuit of the field before their flight was checked. The strokes of his head upon the tongue tore off the scalp so that it lay down over the ear. His left foot was torn nearly off, his leg was broken below the knee, which was also terribly injured; the thigh was broken, and his entire body was terribly bruised. Drs. McCloughan and Morrison were called, but the patient was so weak that it was decided not to perform amputation. He lay in a semi-comatose state until about 4 o'clock when he expired. He was about 30 years of age, and leaves a wife and child.

Rescued From Drowning. J. H. Connolly, who resides at the corner of Spruce Street and Belleville Avenue, near the Morris Canal saw two boys bathing in the canal on Tuesday. One of them made a dive under the water and came up in the middle of the stream. He could not swim, and his companion went to his rescue. The drowning boy grasped his companion so tightly that both boys were in danger of drowning, when Mr. Connolly, hearing their screams plunged in and rescued them. One of the boys fainted when brought to shore and had to have medical aid.

The Tin Cup at the Depot. Some mean wretch has been in the habit of stealing the cup which is placed at the depot pump, and for that reason it has been necessary to put it away every night for safekeeping, thereby depriving hundreds of a chance to quench their thirst with what has been designated as the best water in this State, or any other State. Why any one should take it can not be understood, as its financial value is nil, but its value to the thirsty is beyond estimation.

To Catch a Bicyclist. Joseph Cooper of Franklin Street, while walking along the Park walk on Monday night, came in contact with a wire that had been stretched across the sidewalk from a tree to a lamp post. Some of Bloomfield's citizens who have been incensed at the utter disregard of the bicycle ordinance had probably placed it there, not with the intention of hurting anyone, but to stop the fast riding around the Park. Mr. Cooper was uninjured.

Hopler has been selling extra fine peaches all last week, \$1 and \$1.25 per basket. Advt.

## LOAFERS AROUND THE STATION.

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Satisfactory Progress Made. The Executive Committee of the Thirtieth Regiment Reunion Committee of Arrangements met at the residence of Amos Dodd Tuesday night. The entertainment, Finance, Reception and Decoration Committees all reported satisfactory progress.

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